N... NO WAY...
WHY...
THE ANPAN KUZURE WAS SO LOOKING FORWARD TO...
IS GONE!
Who... Who dares...
HEY! KUZURE!

BUT THEY'RE RIGHT THERE.
KUZURE DID THOUGH?
EH!?
THEY'RE STILL OUT!
YOU PROMISED TO PUT THE BOOKS BACK AFTER YOU READ THEM!
WAIT! WAIT! WAIT!
He gets to be todays snack then.
So it was Kuzumochi...
YOU ATE KUZURE'S ANPAN!?
MORE IMPORT-ANTLY,
KUZURE PUT THEM AWAY!
WH... I- IT WASN'T ME!

...THINGS HAVE BEEN A BIT OFF LATELY,
WE'VE BEEN RUNNING OUT OF FOOD ODDLY FAST,
...YOU'RE NOT EATING IT WITHOUT REALISING RIGHT?
RUDE!
BUT KUZURE'S BEEN FEELING UNEASY TOO,
LIKE THERE'S ALWAYS SOMEONE NEARBY...
SERIOUSLY...? BUT A LOT HAS HAPPENED LATELY,
IZUNA AND THE GROUP FROM THE MAIN TEMPLE SAID THEY'D BE LOOKING INTO IT FOR A WHILE,
THAT'S NOT IT?
PROB NOT SINCE I GET THE FEELING ON THE TOILET TOO?
IT WAS AFTER I FLUSHED...
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I HEARD THE WATER GO AGAIN...
EH...? THAT'S SCARY.
AND THAT'S NOT ALL!

THE LIGHTS WILL TURN THEMSELVES ON WHEN THE ROOMS EMPTY.
R... REALLY...?
THE TV WILL BE ON WHEN NO ONE'S THERE...
NAOHITO... THIS HOUSE...
May have some-thing...
Mysterious lurking within it...

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KUZURE... YOU'RE MAKING IT HARD TO MOVE.
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EH...? SO YOU'RE BAD WITH THAT KIND OF THING...?
THERE'S A GHOST!? KUZURE'S SCARED!
BUT NAOHITO...
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UOH!?
IT'S A GHOST!
WHAT ABOUT YOU THEN!?
HEH. THAT'S A SURPRISE.
KUZURE'S DELICATE!
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OBVIOUSLY!

WELL I WOULDN'T SAY I'M GOOD WITH THEM BUT,
IF THAT BOTHERED ME I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO LIVE...
HAH!?
NAOHITO'S GOT NO DELICACY!
A SAD EXISTENCE WITH NO SENSI-TIVITY!?
NAH?
YOU'RE LIKE A CHILD!
WELL, I GUESS YOU REALLY ARE A CHILD,
IN THE FIRST PLACE, YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S BAD WITH GHOSTS!?
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WHAT CAN I DO TO A GHOST!?
HAH!? IT'S A GHO-ST!?
STOP FIGHTING.
...EH?
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SHOOT,
NOW I'VE DONE IT...
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I CARELESSLY MADE A SOUND,
DON'T WORRY KUZURE,
THERE'S NO GHOST,
ALL OF THAT WAS ME,
I'D BORROW A LITTLE FOOD WHEN HUNGRY,
AND TINKERED WITH THE LIGHTS AND OTHER THINGS OUT OF CURIOSITY.
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YOU!
HOW LONG!?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE!?
ENOUGH WITH THE VIOLENCE,
I DO NOT PLAN TO FIGHT.
OUR WAVELENGTHS ARE CLOSE, SO HIDING IN YOUR SHADOW MAKES ME LESS CONSPICUOUS...
SHADOW JUTSU'S ARE MY FORTE,
THAT'S WHY I WAS IN YOUR SHADOW?
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!
AH! MGH!
WHAT DID YOU MEAN THEN?
?
COULD IT BE YOU'RE AN IDIOT!?

JUST FORGET I'M HERE AND LIVE NATURALLY.
IF YOU COULD.
THIS WAS MY FAULT, SO I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING,
I'M OUT OF TIME.
I'VE GOTTEN REALLY INTERESTED IN YOU TWO,
HOW CAN A DISASTER AND A HUMAN LIVE TOGETHER...
THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW.
ANYWAY,
WAIT!
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AH! MGH!
COME ON!
YOU POWER REALLY IS A NOTCH ABOVE.
OH...
STOPPING MY DIVE WITH FORCE...

THAT'S WHAT I WANNA ASK!
SO, WHAT IS GOING ON HERE?
...

I SEE, THAT'S TRUE...
YOU GET THAT RIGHT?
THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN ACT NORMAL KNOWING THAT YOU'RE ALWAYS NEARBY,
...
WHAT DO I DO NOW...
THAT'S A PROBLEM THEN...
IF YOU WANT,
HOW ABOUT,
YOU LIVE WITH US TOO?

HAH?
YEAH~... IT'S A PRETTY DARING PROPO-SAL~...
AH, SORRY,
I JUST REALLY DID NOT EXPECT SUCH A PROPOSAL.
EVEN THOUGH I...
IF YOU WERE GONNA TRY AGAIN YOU WOULD HAVE BY NOW?
...KU-ZURE?
IF NAOHITO'S OKAY WITH IT THEN KUZURE IS OKAY WITH IT TOO.
I SEE...
YOU TWO... REALLY ARE STRANGE.

I WILL ACCEPT YOUR PROPOSAL.
UNAVOID-ABLE THEN.
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A NAME...
WE SHOULD KNOW THAT IF YOU'RE GONNA BE LIVING HERE.
SO, DO YOU HAVE A NAME?

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WE HAVE A DEAL THEN.

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OH YEAH.
NO ONE HAS CALLED ME ANYTHING,
JUST A TAIL OF THE DISASTER FOX.
THAT'S ALL MY EXISTENCE IS.
I WANT A NAME,
NAO-HITO,
WILL YOU GIVE ME A NAME...?
BUT,
AH, WHAT TO DO THEN...
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RIGHT NOW?
NO GOOD?

I DON'T MIND.
YOU SHOULD THOUGH!
TERR-IBLE!
I'VE GOT IT, DUMMY
THAT'LL WORK RIGHT?
KUZURE CAN DO IT!
NAOHITO DOESN'T HAVE TO!
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I CAN'T SAY IT'S A GOOD NAME.
WELL YEAH, BUT...
WHY? IT'S ENOUGH TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS?
?
THINGS LIKE ETHICS...
I THOUGHT YOU HAD A GOOD HEAD BUT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE LACKING AFTER ALL...
REA-LLY!?
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...AL-
RIGHT,
"KOWARE"
YOUR
NAME,
WILL BE
"KOWARE"
SINCE
YOU'RE
LACKING
THINGS
AND
BROKEN.
*KOWARE=BROKEN
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HMM.
IF YOU
DON'T
LIKE IT,
I CAN
THINK OF
SOMETHING
ELSE...
I JUST
MADE
IT UP
THOUGH?
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WARE.
MY
NAME IS
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WARE"...
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FROM NOW ON I WILL BE "KOWARE"!
IT'S A GOOD NAME!
I DIDN'T EXPECT SUCH SPECIFIC PRAISE...
AH~...
WE'RE BOTH DISASTERS, I LIKE THAT IT RHYMES WITH "KUZURE",
SPECIFICALLY THE PART WHERE IT'S KIND OF SCARY...
AND I LOVE HOW YOU SUMMED UP MY SITUATION SO HONESTLY!

KOWARE,
NAOHITO OKAYED IT SO YOU'RE AN EXCEPTION,
SO FROM NOW ONE, KUZURE IS SENPAI,
AND MUST BE RESPECTED TO THE FULLEST.
OH? KUZURE'S A SENPAI...?
THAT'S RIGHT! KUZURE'S A SENPAI!
AN EXCELLENT ONE!
IN THAT CASE, KUZURE-SENPAI,
KNOWS WHAT TO SHOW HER KOUHAI FIRST?
HUH?

MGH!!
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WHY DOES KUZURE HAVE TO DO THIS!
あー…
DIDN'T HE SAY IT'S A SENPAI'S JOB TO TEACH HER KOUHAI ALL SORTS OF THINGS?

BUT, IT'S REALLY NICE, THIS "BODY SOAP".
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MY FUR COVERED BY A FINE LATHER,
IT'S SUCH A PLEASENT FEELING.
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THIS IS GONNA BECOME A HABIT...
DO MY TAIL NEXT PLEASE.
AL-RIGHT THEN...
I'LL BE REAL THO-ROUGH!
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Entrusting your body to me so easily...
You'll regret that!
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SO THIS SCREW MAKES THE "SHOWER" WORK?
Wagh!
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AAH, SORRY, I SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE CAREFUL.
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MGH! YOU!

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DISASTER FOX
KOWARE-CHAN